Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Tuesday 22 Aug 2023 until 23:59 on Wednesday 23 Aug 2023

Forecast Issued on Monday 21 Aug 2023 at 14:27 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for low cloud and showery rain on Tuesday then for an improvement through the afternoon. High for unsettled conditions with rain or showers and turning cooler during the rest of the week.

Headline for Tuesday 22 Aug 2023: Low cloud, showery rain and windy. Becoming drier, brighter through afternoon.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 22 Aug 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Fog	Heavy Rain	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
60%	40%	40%	60%	60%	30%	10%	10%

Forecast for Tuesday 22 Aug 2023

Weather: Outbreaks of rain overnight, heavy at times. Cloudy with occasional rain or drizzle through the morning and into early afternoon. An improvement in conditions through the afternoon with rain clearing and some sunny spells breaking through. Dry with long bright or clear spells in the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 10% in the morning, improving to 80% during the afternoon.

Low Cloud and visibility: Poor visibility with areas of cloud and fog in the morning and early afternoon, mainly above 600m but down to lower slopes near the west coast. Higher bases across far eastern ranges and cloud generally lifting and breaking with visibility improving across all ranges during the afternoon.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	36/46 SW	34/44 SW	28/35 SW	27/36 SW	25/34 SW	21/29 SW	19/25 W	17/21 SW	16/20 S
900	27/36 SW	25/34 SW	20/26 SW	21/29 SW	20/29 SW	18/25 W	15/21 W	10/14 SW	10/14 SW
600	34/43 SW	31/40 SW	23/29 SW	25/33 SW	21/29 SW	17/25 W	14/20 W	11/15 SW	10/14 SW
300	19/30 SW	17/27 SW	14/21 SW	15/23 SW	14/22 SW	12/19 SW	8/14 W	6/9 S	6/9 S
Glen	14/28 SW	13/27 SW	9/20 SW	12/24 SW	11/23 W	11/20 W	7/14 W	5/11 SW	4/7 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	8/3	8/3	7/2	7/2	7/2	6/1	5/0	4/-1	3/-1
900	10/6	10/6	9/6	10/6	10/6	9/6	8/5	6/3	6/3
600	12/7	12/7	11/8	11/7	12/8	11/8	10/8	9/6	8/6
300	14/10	13/10	13/11	13/11	14/11	14/11	13/12	11/10	10/9
Glen	15/13	15/13	15/14	15/13	16/14	16/14	15/14	13/12	12/12
Freezing Level*	2700m	2600m	2500m	2500m	2500m	2100m	1700m	1800m	1900m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Outbreaks of rain, low cloud and strong winds making for rather wet conditions during the morning but drying up in the afternoon.

Forecast for Wednesday 23 Aug 2023
Weather: Mainly dry with clear spells overnight. It will then become cloudy through the morning with a few showers developing by late morning and continuing for the rest of the day, heavy and possibly thundery at times later.

Maximum wind: South or Southwest 10-15mph increasing 15-20mph gusts 30mph by afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80% becoming 40%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Good visibility at first. Becoming poor at times in showers with patchy cloud and fog above about 600m, perhaps lower in heavier bursts.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8 or 9C rising to 17 or 18C.
At 800m: Plus 5C rising to 11C.
Freezing level: Above summits.

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